

Press Release

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According to Lt. Michael Reed, at 6:40pm on January 24th, the Lake County Sheriff's Office along with Perry Fire Department responded to a one vehicle injury accident in the area of 3056 N. Ridge Rd. Perry Twp. Upon arrival, it was found that a 1999 Cadillac, driven by a 22 year old male named Mark Lambert of Ashtabula, had been traveling eastbound. Mr. Lambert lost control of his vehicle and left the roadway on the south side. Mr. Lambert's vehicle sheared a utility pole and then came to final rest approximately 60 feet later in the front yard at 3056 N. Ridge Rd.

Mr. Lambert had a female passenger with him. She was identified as 28 year old Trisha Thompson, also residing in Ashtabula Ohio. Both parties sustained visible and non-visible non-life threatening injuries. Ms. Thompson was transported from the scene by Perry Twp. FD to Madison Medical Campus where she was then flown out to Metro Health Medical Center. Mr. Lambert remained trapped in his vehicle and had

to be extricated via mechanical means. Mr. Lambert was extricated from his vehicle approximately 45 minutes later and was transported to Madison Medical Campus, and then flown to Metro Health Medical Center.

Power throughout Perry Township was disrupted for several hours as Painesville City Utilities worked to raise the downed wires and erect a new utility pole. N. Ridge Rd. remained closed to through traffic from Blackmore Rd. through Perry Park Rd. for approximately three hours while the scene was cleared and the power services were restored.

The accident remains under investigation. However, investigation, as well as witness statements, show speed and reckless operation to have played a part in the accident.

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